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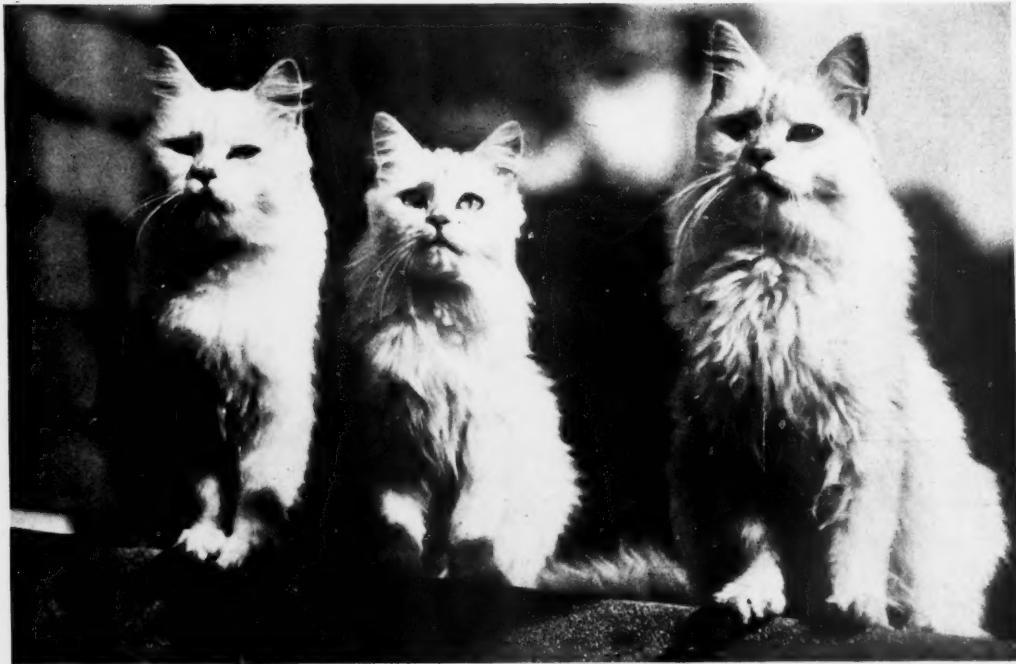
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I would not enter on my list of friends,
Though graced with polished manners and fine sense,
Yet wanting sensibility, the man
Who needlessly sets foot upon a worm.

—COWPER



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On 1,675 routes for delivery of ice in Chicago horses are used, it being 68% cheaper to operate a single-horse wagon than a motor truck.

For the protection of food animals while being transported and slaughtered Belgium, in 1929, passed some excellent laws. If only such laws could be enacted in France!

Our congratulations to the local board of education of Los Angeles that refused to allow the use of a school athletic field by a moving picture company for a bull-fight scene.

Parliamentary returns for 1928 show the number of experiments upon animals in Great Britain by those licensed to perform such experiments was 315,891. Of these experiments 300,915 were without anaesthetics. Of the experimenters 154 were women.

Three hundred thousand Indians in the United States. About as many probably as there were when we foreigners arrived on these shores. We have spent \$500,000,000 in buying and forcing them into the lives and conditions they now occupy. What a sorry business we have made of it!

There are certain well-known preachers in this country, very popular over the radio, who, though often the occasions arise in their sermons, never seem to deem God's vast world of animal life, outside of mankind, deserves the slightest notice. We should have greater confidence in their Christianity if they gave the Creator credit for being interested in these creatures of His wisdom and His care. Dr. Cadman is a fine exception. His Christianity seems to be related to the whole realm of sentient life.

So many of our readers have been generous contributors to the work of the American Fondouk Maintenance Committee, Inc., that we are confident they will be glad to see a brief summary of the annual report very soon to be issued, a copy

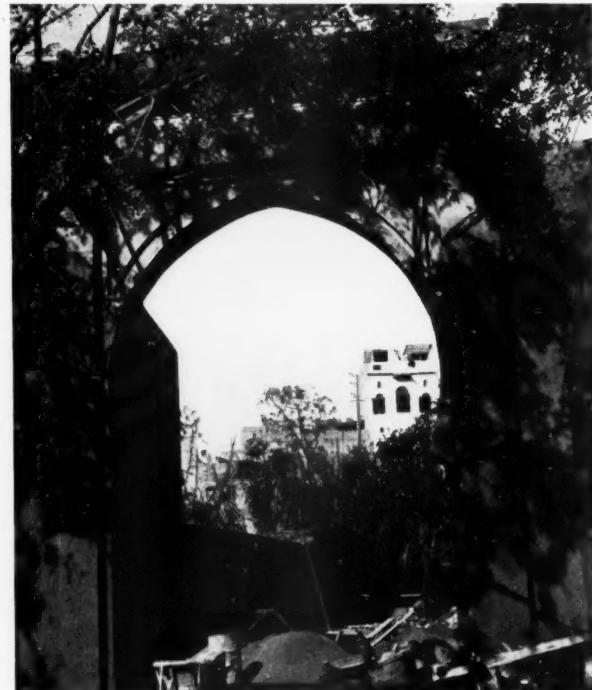
the richest city in Morocco. The population is easily 200,000, of whom one-half are Arabs. The other 100,000 is composed of perhaps 20,000 Jews, 8,000 Europeans—of whom the largest number are Spaniards—with French colonials, Italians, Algerians, and mixed-blood whites, the regular Army of Occupation (every military branch represented) and a floating population of nomads, traders and country Arabs, estimated conservatively at 40,000 per week. In 1928 it had 7,626 horses, 11,797 mules and 23,705 donkeys with Arab Owners.

We report with exceeding pleasure the completion of the new Fondouk, the dedication of which is only delayed temporarily while the city is bringing its water pipes to the point at which we can connect with them. This brief delay saves us some \$700.

Through the generosity of those who have so nobly responded to our appeals, and the gracious gift of Mrs. C. F. Bishop, of \$8,000 for the actual building of the Fondouk in memory of her mother, it will be equipped and opened with all bills paid. It will include a hospital for animals with a capacity for 100 horses, mules and donkeys, as well as a ward for contagious diseases, operating-room, kennels and cages for small animals, a clinic for out-patients, and a blacksmith shop.

The Fez authorities highly commend our choice of a site for the Fondouk. Mr. Charles A. Williams, a member of the Committee, and familiar with humane work during his years of residence in Sicily where he did so much for the S. P. C. A., and who has spent many weeks in Fez in the interests of our work there, writes:

"My first visit of five days in November,



INSCRIPTION EITHER SIDE OF ARCHWAY: AMERICAN FONDOUK IN FEZ ERECTED IN 1929, A. D., BY AMY BEND BISHOP IN MEMORY OF HER MOTHER, A GREAT LOVER OF ANIMALS

of which will be mailed to each whose gift has helped to found and maintain the work. But first just a word about Fez.

Fez is the largest, busiest, and, as yet,

much for the S. P. C. A., and who has spent many weeks in Fez in the interests of our work there, writes:

1928, found the Fondouk very crowded and this continued till the end of February, 1929, an average of 90 animals a day being kept in a space barely large enough for 50. The high price of supplies, grain, bedding, hay and medicines also meant more of an expenditure than our treasury warranted. In addition money had to be found for the purchase of land for the new Fondouk, the original offer to present a site to us being found unacceptable because of its unsatisfactory and inaccessible location. With all these handicaps and until January 1, 1929, we had no veterinarian wholly at our command. Still much was accomplished and many animals were given a new lease of life."

The New Veterinarian

Finally the services of a first-class veterinarian were secured and his salary guaranteed for two years at least, by a generous member of the Committee. He has been a great success, showing unusual skill in operations that had to be performed and in treating cases of the various troubles and diseases of the animals coming under his care.

During April and May we averaged from 60 to 70 animals a day. Besides we made a daily trip to the pound for dogs, a mile away, with well prepared food and clean water. This service made a very favorable impression on the authorities, and a new dog catcher was appointed, continued help from the Police Department being promised. This promise has been faithfully carried out.

Had it not been proved by our purchase of land and projected building undertaking that the American Committee was in serious earnest, we should never have received at the Fondouk such a large number of animals as have been brought to us for treatment by their owners.

Manning the Pump

In May the city authorities purchased a new pump for the well at the gate on the Taza road from which all the larger caravans start, and a near-by resident was engaged to see that no washing of clothes or oil cans was done in the two troughs. This was continued until, unfortunately, the water supply failed during the summer.

A Few Cases

I shall call attention to only two or three cases of service rendered, though scores more or less similar in kind could be recorded, and besides I hesitate to harrow the feelings of those who read this report.

A bad accident on the Taza road occurred in which a truck loaded with stone struck two donkeys, leaving them in a dying condition. Dr. Grimpel hurrying to the scene put them mercifully to sleep.

Two donkeys were discovered which would have been buried alive had we not interfered, one of them about to foal.

Two mules but for us would certainly have died after great suffering and another would have bled to death but for help from the Fondouk.

Then read this interesting case: Early in June a strong young donkey was brought by its owners to show the Fondouk people a huge tumor on its neck. Dr. Grimpel took some photographs of this before operating.

The tumor weighed over three pounds

and was most successfully removed and the donkey left within thirty days entirely cured. Now the sequel: About a week later all the important citizens, over twenty in all, of Sidi-Harrassen, a village some ten miles from Fez arrived on foot at the Fondouk to pay it a visit. The natives were so amazed at the operation and cure, considered by them a miracle, that they had walked all that long way to congratulate the Fondouk.

We believe it will interest those whose contributions to this work have done so much to change conditions in Fez to know that the Fondouk is winning the good will and confidence of the authorities of the city, and that the Pasha, whose influence is so powerful over the Arabs, has spoken most commendatorily of the work we are doing and of the new Fondouk.

The Committee is hoping some one will send us special funds for the translation into French and printing of some of the more popular leaflets now existing in English, Italian and Spanish.

Humane Education

The new Fondouk once well started, we shall seek the best plan possible in the circumstances to reach the children in the schools with humane education.

Prizes for the best cared for animals at exhibitions similar to work-horse parades in America and other practical means of calling attention to our work and awakening interest in animal welfare will become parts of our program as fast as circumstances and funds warrant.

Receipts and Expenditures, 1929

Cash on hand, January 1, 1929	\$5,424.38
Total receipts for land and building of Fondouk	10,809.40
For maintenance and incidental expenses including interest	4,534.82
	\$20,768.60
Expenditures including land and building of Fondouk	\$10,809.40
Maintenance of Fondouk	6,283.98
Balance on hand December 31, 1929	3,675.22
	\$20,768.60

Animals Treated at Fondouk

Horses	97
Mules	112
Donkeys	354
Total number of draft or pack animals	563
Draft animals humanely put out of their suffering	134
Average stay of animals in Hospital, 34 days.	

In the same period 1,442 hot meals of good food have been fed to dogs in the pound, which means that at least 1,000 have been taken to the pound, and only helplessly ill or old put to sleep before they could possibly be claimed by their owners. The police work with us in this most harmoniously. The order and cleanliness of the food and water tins as well as the cages would, I feel sure, please all our friends.

It is difficult to estimate the expense of this work at the pound, but we should allow \$300 per year.

Contributions from those who have so generously helped us in the past, and from every new friend of the work, will be gratefully received and promptly acknowledged. Without this help for the relief of

such animal sufferings as we believe are scarcely endured by poor beasts of burden and other animals in any other part of the world, all accomplished up to the present will seem to have been almost in vain. All gifts may be sent to the Treasurer: M. E. Lyon, 2 Wall St., New York City.

The annual meeting was held in New York, January 24, 1930. With regret the resignation of Miss Bessie Dean Cooper was accepted, Miss Cooper having been the originator of the movement and having served it as secretary and treasurer.

The newly elected officers and directors are Dr. Francis H. Rowley, president; Sydney H. Coleman, vice-president; Charles A. Williams, secretary; M. E. Lyon, 2 Wall Street, New York City, treasurer; and Mrs. C. F. Bishop, Mrs. Postlethwaite Cobb, Charles H. Fiske, Esq., Col. Gilbert Macbeth, D. S. O., Mrs. Catherine Olney, Mrs. Lorillard Ronalds, Mrs. Moses Taylor and Mrs. Orme Wilson.

An Animal Inferno

UNDER the title, "Where the Zoos Begin," Sir Percival Phillips, distinguished world-wide traveler and special correspondent of the *Daily Mail*, London, gives a most graphic account of a remote place of torment to animals of which the public knows but little. He writes in substance as follows:



ORANG-OUTANG, MAN-LIKE APE

His name in the Malay language means "man of the woods." These great apes are arboreal and herbivorous in their habits of living and eating. They are possessed of enormous strength but soon die when confined in menagerie, circus or zoo.

Fifteen miles from Singapore, on a lonely patch of treeless swamp hemmed in by jungle and an arm of the sea, is one of the strangest prisoners' camps in the world—and the most pathetic.

It is the place where the zoo begins. Here the wild beasts, birds and reptiles caught in Malaya and adjacent islands begin their lifelong captivity. From this primitive clearing-house they are consigned to hard labor in a circus or painful inactivity in a private menagerie or a public zoological garden.

It is an ill-assorted community of the jungle, bound together by ferocity and despair. I have never seen such manifestations of anguish and hate as are witnessed here whenever a human being comes within sight. All the prisoners are newly caught, and they refuse to believe that the rough

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Cash Prizes for Best Animal Verse

\$50 First, and \$25 Second, Will be Paid by "Our Dumb Animals" in Contest

Who can write the best poem of not more than thirty-two lines, to promote the objects of the national Be Kind to Animals Anniversary? A wide range of subjects is open, so long as the lesson of the poem is unmistakable—the more forceful the better its chances of success. Artistic merit of the verse as such, combined with its appeal for animals, will decide the awards.

For the best original, unpublished MS. submitted not later than May 15, 1930, *Our Dumb Animals* will give \$50 in cash, and for the second best, \$25 in cash.

Name and full address of contestant must appear at top of first page of text, and all MSS. must be typed. No MS. will be returned in this contest unless a fully addressed, stamped envelope is enclosed. All entries must be addressed to Prize Poetry Contest, *Our Dumb Animals*, 180 Longwood Avenue, Boston, Mass. Note that MSS. addressed simply to *Our Dumb Animals* will not be entered in the contest but treated as regular contributions. The words, "Prize Poetry Contest," must appear on the outside of the envelope for the offering to be entered for a prize.

The result of the contest will be announced in *Our Dumb Animals* for July, 1930, and checks in payment for the prizes will be mailed to the winning writers not later than June 10. The prize poems will be published in *Our Dumb Animals*.

Display Posters and Lantern Slides

As in former years the American Humane Education Society will supply window cards, in two colors, 19 x 25 inches, with attractive animal pictures and the words THIS IS NATIONAL BE KIND TO ANIMALS ANNIVERSARY, for 15 cents each, when ten to twenty-five copies are ordered; 12 cents each for twenty-five to fifty; and 10 cents each for more than fifty. The same pictures and reading matter on paper posters may be ordered at 10 cents per single copy, or four cents each for ten or more. Imprint of local Societies may be added for the extra cost of printing, \$3 for each order, but such orders should be received early.

Lantern slides, in colors, with similar reading and pictures, will be mailed at 40 cents each, or, in quantities of ten or more to one address, 35 cents each. For imprint of local Societies an extra charge is made. Address all orders to 180 Longwood Avenue, Boston.

For the School Celebration

Humane Day in Schools will be generally observed on Friday, April 25, or the nearest available date. Because of spring vacation in Boston schools, Friday, April 11, will be the day observed in that city. The Massachusetts S. P. C. A. will distribute to teachers above the second grade throughout the state, a special pamphlet on Humane Education which has been approved by the National Congress of Parents and Teachers. Samples of this 20-page publication will be mailed to Humane Society or school officials in other states upon receipt of ten cents for a single copy. In quantities, special prices will be offered. Address orders to American Humane Education Society, 180 Longwood Avenue, Boston.



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NATIONAL BE KIND TO ANIMALS ANNIVERSARY, APRIL 21-26; HUMANE SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 1930

Orders for all supplies should be received by April 1, if possible, to insure delivery in good season for Be Kind to Animals Anniversary.

For Humane Week

Ask your newspaper for an editorial.
Ask your minister for a humane sermon.
Ask your school to observe Humane Day.

December 5, 1929

The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and the American Humane Education Society.

It should be the birthright of every child to have the emotional experience of loving and caring for an animal pet and the intellectual experience of considering the service of animals to men. As our courses of study come to include work in character education, associations to promote humane education may furnish a vital part of the curriculum.

(Signed) WILLIAM JOHN COOPER
United States Commissioner of Education

Ask Your Cartoonist to Compete

First Prize, \$50; Second Prize, \$25, for Best Cartoon in Behalf of Animals

Readers everywhere are asked to help advertise this prize contest, in which the American Humane Education Society will give \$50 cash as a first prize, and \$25 cash as a second prize, for the best cartoons illustrating kindness to animals that are published in any periodical between now and May 15, 1930.

It is suggested that so far as possible the cartoons be published during the Be Kind to Animals Anniversary, April 21-26, and Humane Sunday, April 27.

Copies of the newspaper or magazine containing the cartoon, showing date of publication, with the name and address of the cartoonist plainly written on the margin, should be addressed to American Humane Education Society, 180 Longwood Avenue, Boston, Mass., to reach the office not later than June 1, 1930.

The effectiveness of the cartoon in bringing out the lesson of kindness to animals, as well as its artistic merits, will count in making the awards. The result of the contest will be published in *Our Dumb Animals* for July, 1930, and checks in payment for the prizes will be mailed to the winning cartoonists not later than June 10.

It is hoped that our friends everywhere will communicate with their local newspaper managers, or any cartoonists they happen to know, and urge participation in this contest.

New Sermon for Humane Sunday

Dr. Charles E. Jefferson, New York City, Preaches to Boys and Girls

On May 17 last, Rev. Charles E. Jefferson, D.D., pastor of Broadway Tabernacle, New York City, preached a special sermon to the boys and girls on "Our Little Brothers and Sisters," referring to "those that are covered with hair or fur or feathers or scales." He has kindly given the American Humane Education Society permission to reprint selections from this sermon as a special leaflet for use in connection with Humane Sunday. It will be issued in four pages, and sold at cost, \$1.00 per hundred copies, postpaid to any address. Sample copies, free. It is ideally adapted to distribution in Sunday-schools and young people's meetings. Send orders at once to American Humane Education Society, 180 Longwood Avenue, Boston, Mass.

We also publish a sermon by Dr. Jefferson, "Look at the Birds," at 30 cents per hundred copies.

The White Heron

LESLIE CLARE MANCHESTER

*"It's here in branches against the sky,
A cypress ancient, bearded, gray
Beneath whose shadow the marshes lie
Aglow with the red of early day;
It's here I search the placid tide,
Those lazy shallows half asleep;
It's here I see the bonnets ride
And the many buds of the lotus peep.*

*"I drop like a star, a flashing thing,
A plummet white to the pool below;
I wade far out where the minnows swing
Against the tide with its darkling flow.
I pause knee-deep in the stilly stream,
The snow of my plumage reflected there;
I curve my throat, my quick eyes gleam;
And on to the fray I fare, I fare.*

*"The thickets shelter a cozy nest,
Those thickets of bracken and petaled
haw;
They spread above a tiny guest
Asleep in a circle of yellow straw.
So I fish in the pool where the minnows are
With never a net or hook or line;
I fish in the shallows along the bar
Right glad the sheltered nest is mine."*

The Child and the Flicker

RUBY WHITCOMB

THE other day I met the most disreputable child that lives in our neighborhood, with a small hurt flicker in her hands. Few folks have ever trusted her as she is very dishonest, but the incident I am about to relate will show a different appeal to her sympathy. The tiny bird was fluttering with fright, both from injury and the handling of the youngster. She was talking gently to the bird and stroking it. I asked her where she found it and she told me that some boys had shot it with a nigger shooter; there were tears in her eyes when she looked up at me.

She said, "I am going to take it home and granddaddy will mend it so it will live."

Her grandfather is quite clever and ingenious in mending different things, so of course the child had all confidence in his "mending the bird."

Our ways separated then and I thought no more of the incident until I saw her about a week later. In asking for the bird I seemed to open a theme that the child loved. She simply radiated with gladness.

The answer in her sweet voice was, "Oh, the bird is so tame that it eats out of my hand now and its leg is much better. Would you like to see the bird? I will run right over and get it so that you may see how granddaddy mended it."

She ran away and very shortly she was back with the bird which did not flutter in her hands as she held it and talked to it.

On the bird's leg was a tiny splint holding it in shape while the bone was knitting. The bird was as tame as any canary that I have ever seen living in a cage anywhere. Soon it would be able to fly in the open spaces once more.

In character building, which is our chief business in this world, very much depends upon our treatment of the animals committed to our care.

RUSKIN

"If I Could Be a Horse!"

EDWARD E. WHITING

WHY does a horse struggle with mad frenzy to stay in his stall, or to fight his way back to it, when fire sweeps over the stable and those who would save him try to lead him to safety?

There have been many answers offered, but none satisfies. We cannot know. If some one of us could just be a horse for a few days we might have the answer to this, and to other problems that make horses so interesting—and so puzzling.

This would very likely be a better world, certainly a more merciful one, if we human beings could step for a time into the being and the consciousness of this or that animal, and think for a time with their brains, see the world as they see it, face the problems they face, and in the way they must, by their nature, face them.

There is an old story, which has behind it something deeper than the laugh it usually stirs. It is the story of the lost horse, in the country village. The horse had strayed away, but neither his master nor anyone else had been able to find him. At last, after the hunt had been abandoned, down the village street came the village half-wit. He was leading the horse.

The villagers crowded about him, laughingly congratulating him. "Must ha' been a streak o' luck," they agreed. It was a good joke on them, that after all the sensible men had failed to find the horse, here this idiot had him, all safe and sound. At last one of them asked the boy how he found the horse. This was his reply: "Wal, I thought now if I was a hoss where would I go, an' I went there, an' he had."

There used to be a fantastic theory that the light-witted and the mentally afflicted were in some queer way uncanny, and closer to hidden mysteries than the usual run of folks. Affliction, both mental and physical, was associated in superstitious minds with magic; thus it was (and still is in some far places) thought "lucky" to touch the hump on a deformed man's back. The "natural," the simple boy, was believed to be possessed of curious powers. Of course that superstition was long ago abandoned, except among the very ignorant in a few remaining places; but maybe there was something in it!

This much: That the light-witted omits to apply the coldly calculated mental processes of the educated and the sophisticated, and just lets his undisciplined thoughts wander hither and yon, like the breeze blowing over a field; and maybe so he comes to conclusions which are quite natural and quite normal—just what anyone might and would do but for the entanglements and confusions mankind has built about himself and his mind and his actions



"THE STALL IS HOME FOR THE HORSE"

through century after century of training, repression, and regard for precedent.

So very likely the village half-wit of the old story did exactly the right thing in seeking the lost horse—because he was too "stupid" to let himself be guided by the accumulated artificiality of the normal person. Perhaps he was able to "think like a horse" enough to solve the problem.

A little time ago there was a fire which destroyed a stable in Boston, where some of the property of the city public works department was kept. Three horses and two dogs were burned to death. Two courageous men did what they could to save the three horses; one had been the horse of a Boston policeman who had died heroically. These men took these three horses by their halters, and struggled through the smoke and heat and confusion towards the open air. The horses pulled and tugged to break away; they did not understand that these men were trying to save their lives. At last they broke the hold of the men, and turning, with tails swishing, manes flying, snorting with distended nostrils, their eyes wild, their breath coming in great snorts, they tore back into the blazing stable, pushed their way past the falling timbers, perhaps springing in pain from falling sparks—and they fought their frenzied way back to the stalls where they had started. And so they died. Why did they go back?

We have always believed that the reason a horse does this queer thing is because he has an almost frantic love for what he knows as home. He trusts the familiar thing, is driven to madness by the unexpected. He fears strangeness, seeks safety in what he knows. The stall is his home. There he has been fed. There he stands when the stable-man comes to scratch him with the curry-comb, and make his coat sleek, and make him feel good. There he stands to await his master, or the stableman, who will step in beside him, back him out, or lead him out if it is a box-stall, ready for the harness or the saddle. All through the day, whether he is tugging, head a little lowered, in the collar of the heavy truck, or before the dragging plow;

or while he is prancing along the bridle path under his master's or his mistress' saddle; or while he is making his slow way around the milkman's route, or standing patiently while his master goes to house after house collecting bits of old junk—all through the day of labor, which every horse accepts as the common lot, there lurks somewhere at the back of his horse-mind the comforting thought that at the end of the day he will be back in the stall he loves, back in the home that is all his own, back with the oats before him, and where a long drink of water will cool the heat that labor has brought to him.

The stall is home for the horse. And is his rushing madly back to it so very different from that instinct which has kept man a home-loving being through the ages? What is it that haunts the man wandering in a strange land among strange and alien people? It is the thought of home. "Home" may be a family, wife and children, waiting somewhere for him to return to them. It may be some dusty, cluttered room where he has left his few possessions. It may be less definite—may be just the home town; maybe not even as definite as that. It may be just his native land. It may even be the thought of seeing somewhere, at some crossroads in his journey, someone who speaks his language, someone who has known the things that he has known.

The longing for the things we know! The longing for the things we have loved. The yearning to see white napkins after weeks in the wild lands, the yearning to smell wood smoke drifting from some farm-house chimney, to catch the fragrance of a rose by the side door, to see the daisies dancing in the sunshine, to hear the crows cawing over the edge of the maple woods, to hear the creak of the well windlass, to smell bacon frying in the kitchen—so much of life is spent in yearnings to recapture what has been lost, to return to what has been laid aside, to discover reminders of the unrecallable past, or, which is the greatest of all things, to look forward to reunions, picking up the threads of familiar lives.

If any one of us could just be a horse for a little while, we might find that it is this ancient sentiment that drives the horse madly through peril, to get back to the thing most familiar to him, back to that which he trusts most, back to the one place that never has disappointed, betrayed, abused or failed him—back to home, safety, security, peace.

And maybe by that way we might discover it to be true, that the emotions and longings and fears and loyalties and eccentricities of animals are not at all copies or reflections or echoes of mankind's similar qualities. It might dawn for him that this great old world is full of thoughts and feelings, and that the animals have just the same right to them as have men and women.

We might come upon a great truth, might find the solution to the riddle of the universe; and somewhere in that solution it might be comprehended that all living things spring from a common cause, a common source, somewhere, and that no man in all the wide human race can escape some share of responsibility for all created things.

And if he found the magic word, or the mighty thought, it might be—who knows?—that the word and the thought are: Mercy for all living things.

How Would You Like This Man's Job?

CHARLES E. WEBSTER

VISION if you can, long lines of cattle moving steadily towards a central water hole. When creeks and streams went dry they knew instinctively where to go, to the one big watering place in thousands of acres of hills and valleys where almost since cattle were cattle they could go to quench their thirst in time of drought. Imagine their dumb wonder and chagrin when across their hard beaten trails were thrown ugly barbed-wire fences.

It was the old story over again—a dispute over boundaries on the homesteads of



"FULT" FLEETWOOD AND HIS PONY,
"SPOT"

Harney County in eastern Oregon. What had been common watering ground among the cattlemen and ranchers for generations—now fenced and forbidden. What were the animals to do? No other water in countless miles. Already, calves lying down and dying, caressed by gentle blowings and nudgings on the part of their distracted mothers. Mares, with colts, pawing and sniffing in a vain endeavor to extract a little moisture from the earth. A hurried conference of ranchers and an appeal to government authorities. An order issued requiring the stubborn homesteader to "abate" the restraining fences within thirty days. But in the meantime, what of all those thirsty animals out there, lowing and licking their frothy chops? In desperation a telegram was sent to the Oregon State Humane Association in Portland, for help.

In answer to that message there came, the next day, riding swiftly across the dusty sage-covered hills, a little man with steel-gray eyes, a black kerchief about his neck, chaps of heavy leather, tinkling spurs and a silver star just peeking out from beneath his vest. Fulton Fleetwood—"Fult," his friends call him all over eastern Oregon, is a field officer for the State Humane Association and his "field" is a country so vast, wide and so furrowed with mountains and stream-cut valleys that it is incomprehensible to one who does not live in it. But here he was, having driven his car all night over mountains and across the wastes of cattleland until the trail ended, then quickly astride a borrowed pony he continued over

the hills. Into the camps of both factions he went, straight and alone, not forgetting that a man had been shot in the vicinity in recent years and that the inhabitants were rough and ready. . . . Satisfied in his own mind, "Fult" cut the fences and the stock went through to water. What mattered the lawsuit which followed—animals first, lawsuits afterward.

Not so spectacular perhaps are Fult's other duties but none the less romantic and inspiring to those who catch a vision of his mission. And in this great territory stretching from the Columbia river on the north to the California line on the south, are countless hundreds of dumb creatures—horses, cattle, sheep, dogs, etc., whose existence at best is meagre if not actual continued suffering.

Since boyhood Fult has ridden the mountains, valleys and plains—he knows the country and he knows animals, especially horses and cattle. Equally at home in the saddle or among the lonely isolated ranches he is spreading his gospel "be kind to all animals," and does it with a merry twinkle in his eye that wins many friends. At every opportunity he is quick to praise good treatment, and as he says "it never fails to get the nags a little more straw," besides leaving their owners feeling "like a million dollars."

Each summer there are many rodeos and roundups to visit and at these functions where the "home brew" is apt to flow freely, the rollicking "buckaroos" often need a restraining hand to prevent needless cruelty. "I knowed most o' them lads," says Fult, "when they wuz about so high and when I tell 'em to tape their spurs they usually knows I mean business."

Many horses faithfully labor for mankind in the sweltering heat of the harvest sun. Straps chafe and rub, and collars make sore shoulders. Sometimes Fult mercifully orders these animals out of harness, and a few isolated incidents like this serve to better the working conditions of other animals. In the fall he visits the trapping districts to remind those who set cruel steel traps of the necessity and humaneness of running their lines frequently and to quickly relieve the unfortunate victims from needless suffering. County schools are called upon to make sure that warm shelters are provided for the ponies ridden to school by students, and still later in the season even snowshoes become his mode of locomotion into snow-locked valleys tucked away in the mountains where stray bands of horses may be imprisoned and faced with starvation. Even when cattle and horses are being loaded at railway points for the long hauls to market, Fult is usually on hand, riding "Spot," his personal cow pony, to aid in the process of "cutting out" and loading. No car leaves for its destination if there is danger of animals getting "down," with consequent injury or death.

While the world lauds the medical and spiritual missionaries who go about their splendid ministrations to mankind, is it not deserving of reflection, that "out there," in a land indefinable with distances, rides a man, shorn of maudlin sentiment, dedicated to the task of giving a square deal to every beast?

Our Dumb Animals

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FOR TERMS, see inside front cover.

AGENTS to take orders for *Our Dumb Animals* are wanted everywhere. Liberal commissions are offered.

EDITORS of all periodicals who receive this publication this month are invited to reprint any of the articles with or without credit.

MANUSCRIPTS relating to animals, particularly prose articles of about three hundred words, are solicited. We do not wish to consider prose manuscripts longer than 800 words, nor verse in excess of thirty-six lines. The shorter the better. Addressed envelope with full return postage should be enclosed with each manuscript submitted.

Our Reputation Spreads

The following radiogram came to our Angell Animal Hospital last month: "Dr. Evans, mail immediately Villas Dubochet, Montreux, Switzerland, diet treatment probable diabetes seven year Dobermann." The owner of the dog who sent us the radiogram evidently has great faith in the staff of our hospital. A letter and prescription were sent at once.

Feeding the Birds

A good suggestion has come to us from a member of the Society. When feeding the birds bread, biscuits, or food of that sort, spread it with fat of any kind. This friend also says that an unfortunate and hungry cat or dog will appreciate this additional attraction. Alas, that so many stray animals of this latter class are compelled to forage for a living. No one should be allowed to own a cat or dog who will not care for it or who, having had it, will abandon it.

Why He Went to London

The Vicar of St. Jude-on-the-Hill, Hampstead Garden Suburb, leaving recently for his new charge at St. Anne's, Soho, said to his congregation:

"But O! my people! Shall I tell you why I really want to go? It is because by going into the heart of the greatest city in Christendom I shall be given a chance I could never have had here of pleading the rights of God's defenseless creatures. I shall concentrate on this first and foremost at St. Anne's."

"When the time comes to surrender the Church on the Hill I shall go from one watch tower to another, to a great centre in the very heart of London, where, by the grace of God, such power as is given me will be devoted to proclaiming the rights of God's creatures before men."

In the bakery business in New York the same number of horses are in use for the wholesale delivery as four years ago. In the retail delivery of the baking companies the horse has increased 42%. When one knows that out of every dollar the housewife pays for bread from 20 to 32 cents represents the cost of delivery, it is readily understood why the horse is used instead of the truck. He costs less.

The Catholic Church and Animals

SISTER M. FIDES SHEPPERSON

AND now, aside from the problems so subtly interwoven with the question as to the attitude of the Catholic Church towards animals, I answer that the Church is frankly in favor of the humane cause. The present Holy Father has given his blessing to this work, and he is personally an interested and a generous benefactor of the Italian branch of the Humane Society.

Thousands of Sisters in our schools are correlating humane instruction with the other lessons of the class-room. Kindness to all life—in the God of Life—is included in Catholic education.

I have been an earnest worker in this cause the last thirty years. Every class before which I stand—grade, high school, college, Sunday-school—I gather into my Band of Mercy. It now numbers far in the thousands. It is to me a deep gratification to know that there are many men and women in the world today kinder and better because I taught them, in plastic years, to be kind to all living creatures, to speak for those who cannot speak for themselves, to "open the mouth for the dumb and for the causes of all the children that pass."

Newfoundland S. P. C. A.

Interesting indeed is the annual report of President Fred R. Emerson of the Newfoundland Society for the Protection of Animals, just received. An efficient inspector is employed in St. John's who investigates all complaints and prosecutes when necessary. The report points out that the most important work of the Society lies in humane education, and much space is given to an account of the visit last July by Miss Gilbert of the American Humane Education Society, and the enthusiasm with which she was received by teachers and others who heard her talks. Leagues of Mercy are being formed throughout the Island and prizes are offered by the Society for the best essays on kindness to animals. We congratulate the organization upon its excellent progress in 1929.

From United States Senator Walsh

The following letter was received by the Editor of *Our Dumb Animals* just as we go to press:

UNITED STATES SENATE
Committee on Finance
February 7, 1930.

My dear Mr. Richardson:

May the splendid work which *Our Dumb Animals* has rendered for years through its efforts to promote a humane attitude toward animals continue to expand its scope and influence!

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) DAVID I. WALSH

A Massachusetts bus driver, George Young, in trying to keep from running over a dog on the highway, risked his own life by sending his bus out of the road so that it collided with an electric light pole. Fortunately he was not injured. We honor him for his efforts to save the dog. This is the second Massachusetts man who has recently taken the chance of an accident rather than maim or kill a dog.

Quaker and Socialist

MRS. H. A. DANNECKER

A Quaker and a Socialist
Sat on a fallen tree
Discussing how from curse of war
Men might be free.

The forest trees about them
In autumn hues arrayed;
The timid wild things of the wood
Passed by them unafraid.

No guardsmen stood with drawn arms,
No servitors officious.
No hatred or suspicion marred
The hour momentous.

They wore no royal robes of state;
There was no dignitary
To interrupt or interpose,
Nor secretary.

Yet, were their words recorded
In every human heart.
And countless pens shall not exhaust
Their great import.

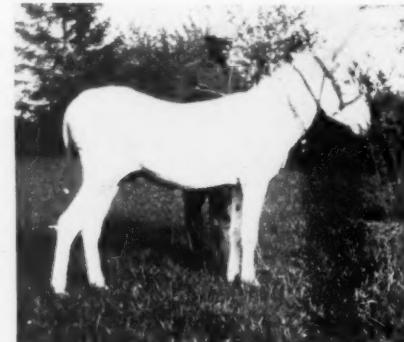
A Quaker and a Socialist
Elected to a place
Of leadership in world affairs
Which well they grace.

Triumphant over obstacles,
Uprisen from the sod;
Did we put them in office?
Or was it GOD?

To Prevent Animal Sacrifices

The All India Humanitarian League of Belanganj, Agra, has issued its first publication in English, briefly reviewing its work from 1920 till now. The League has been successful in saving millions of buffaloes, goats, and pigs from being sacrificed before gods and goddesses. It claims to be the only institution in India which is seeking to uproot this evil. The League has been popularizing its aims and objects by publishing and distributing pamphlets, tracts, newspapers and books on this subject.

The beautiful pure-bred collie, used as a frontispiece on the cover of *Our Dumb Animals* for February, which has attracted much favorable attention, is owned by Lucius Smith, Jr., eleven years old, of Winchester, Mass.



FAT, WELL AND THIRTY
A remarkable donkey, "Sabio," owned by Miss F. A. Jarvis, Kingston, R. I.

Sixty-second Annual Report of the President

For the Year Ending December 31, 1929

I

The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

THIS is the twentieth annual report it has fallen to our lot to write. A year had passed after the death of Mr. Angell, the founder of our two Societies, when we were chosen to succeed him. For some time before that he had been compelled by reason of failing strength to direct affairs only from his residence. To have followed him, had he retired in the days of his full vigor and activity, would have been to undertake a far more difficult task than the one upon which we ventured. All interested in our work must continually be grateful that its foundations were laid by so strong and wise a man as George Thorndike Angell. Commanding the confidence and esteem of large numbers of the leading men and women of Massachusetts, gifted as an organizer and public speaker, loyal to his convictions, while blessed with great common sense, he was an ideal man for the work to which he gave the best of his life and devotion. True is it of him that "being dead he yet speaketh." Indeed there are some who after these twenty years still think him alive in the flesh, for once in awhile a letter comes to us directed to him.

Changes

If some things have been accomplished during this score of years just passed, we do not forget that no little part of the credit is due to the regard had for him by the men and women who have financially supported the two Societies since his death. We beg our readers to believe that for what follows we by no means would be understood as taking the credit to ourselves. The progress made has been due primarily to those generous and noble friends whose gifts have made possible a larger work, to a united and co-operating board of directors, and to a corps of fellow officials and employees who have given the President willing and faithful assistance.

Prosecuting Officers

In 1910 these numbered ten receiving full pay. Today we have seventeen, all but one equipped with an automobile, and this single exception one who employs an automobile for the greater part of his service through an extensive section of the state. It can be easily demonstrated that each officer with a car accomplishes as much as three men could formerly without one. This means in reality an increase in our force of officers of nearly 500 per cent. Now in seven of the chief cities of the Commonwealth outside of Boston we have an officer always to be reached by a private telephone supplied by the Society, and ten others, in greater Boston, also connected with the central office and the public by telephone. In addition, seven other men are paid for part time in towns where we have no regular officer.

The Rest Farm for Horses

This farm with its fine buildings, the gift of the late Mrs. David Nevins, has made possible a very material enlargement in our activities. From thirty to forty and sometimes forty-five horses are given vacations there in the summer time and the twenty-two box-stalls are filled through the winter with horses, for the food of which some of the owners pay a sum barely covering the cost of feed and care. Still other horses, whose owners can pay nothing, are taken for short periods. The largest number of horses during any one month of the year on the Farm was 52, its smallest 23. The average number 28 1/4.

Our Shelters

In connection with the Rest Farm at Methuen, above spoken of, we opened a few years ago a shelter for small animals. This work has grown until practically one man's entire time is occupied in meeting the de-

mands made in behalf of lost, sick, injured, and wounded dogs and cats. Last year 1,329 were sent for by us or brought to the shelter, good homes found for those in such condition as to warrant it. A new small animal ambulance has just been presented to the shelter by the Women's Auxiliary, for which we are sincerely grateful.

The shelter at Springfield has met a pressing need in that prosperous city. Under the management of our officer there it has proved the wisdom of the expense involved in leasing the necessary property and in providing an excellent ambulance. The record for the year at this shelter is 2,889 dogs and cats cared for, and by cared for we mean gathered up by the ambulance upon request, or brought to the shelter. Homes were found for such as were in health and suitable for homes, always a relatively small number, and the rest painlessly put to sleep.

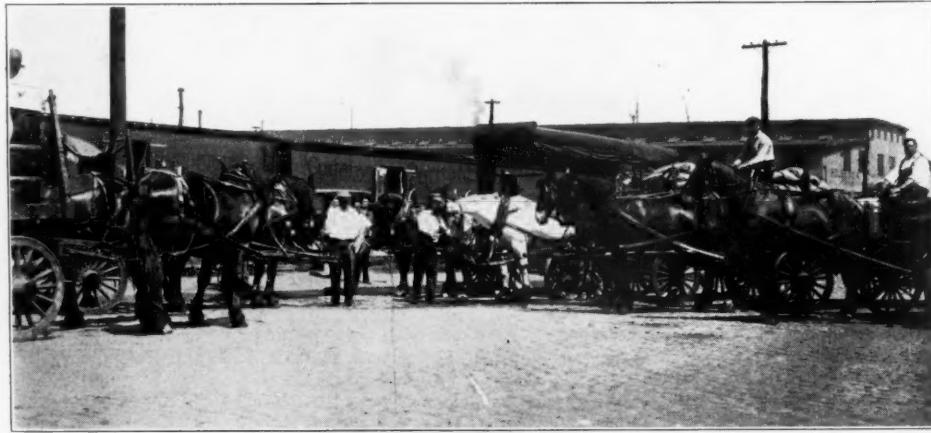
In addition to this shelter work we are meeting a constantly increasing demand for lethal chambers from cities and towns where there has been no arrangement made for destroying in a humane manner the many unwanted, stray and diseased small animals.

The Hospital

Twenty years ago we were confined to the narrow space of a few small rooms down in Boston's business center. Now we have our justly celebrated Angell Memorial Animal Hospital, situated in the finest institutional section of the city, the offices for the two Societies and the Hospital all beneath the same roof. The land purchased fifteen years ago and the building erected upon it have greatly increased in value during this period. We opened the Hospital with two veterinarians. The staff today numbers six, all men of the highest grade in their profession and all devoting their entire time to the work. The report of the Hospital for the first year showed 2,802 animals treated in the Free Dispensary and 2,377 entered as hospital patients. A total of 5,179. The record for the past year is 22,531 treated in the Free Dispensary and 7,719 entered as hospital patients. A total of 30,250. By the Free Dispensary we do not mean that in this clinic there is no charge made for service and medicine. The charge, however, is a small one, and to those unable to pay there is no charge at all. The unpaid work of the Hospital varies from \$6,000 to \$7,000 a year.

The Future

"And what are you doing now that the automobile and auto-truck have taken the place so largely of the horse?" This question is being asked of nearly every society in the country organized for the prevention of cruelty to animals. It's a very



THE "BOSTON POST" PUBLISHED THIS PICTURE RECENTLY TO SHOW THE NUMBER OF HORSES AT NORTHERN AVENUE BRIDGE BETWEEN ATLANTIC AVENUE AND SOUTH BOSTON

natural one. Yet, strange to say, the proportion of the work of these societies that is devoted to horses is still far greater than the number of horses would seem to warrant. The fewer the horses, the more quickly the lame, emaciated or overworked are noticed by the public and complaint made which demands our immediate investigation. Throughout the country sections, moreover, there are still many horses doing work on small farms. To visit the auction stables in and about such cities as Boston, Lawrence, and Lowell, and see the number of old horses brought in for sale, especially in the autumn months, is to convince one that S. P. C. A.'s have much to do yet even for horses. The assessors reported 59,000 in Massachusetts in 1929, and nearly 8,000 in the city of Boston.

But here in our own Commonwealth there are large rural sections where cattle and swine and poultry need looking after as never before, because of the extent to which foreigners have come to occupy farms once the possession of genuine New Englanders who knew too well their value to neglect them either in the matter of feeding or shelter. The automobile now takes our officers through these country districts more often and efficiently than was possible before.

Again, few know how greatly the claim of our small animals for proper treatment has increased during recent years. Scores of thousands of dogs and cats are annually left to the tender mercies of humane organizations to be looked after. What happened to them years ago it is hard to imagine when one considers the time and money spent now to save them from suffering. No better witness to the increase in work of this sort can be found than our own experience in the Angell Animal Hospital.

An Interesting Discovery

Comparing the complaints received by us of cases needing our investigation during the years from 1910, say, to 1918, with those received during the past eight years, we find they have decreased about 40 per cent. This means three things. First, the educational work of the Society has not been in vain, especially that done in the schools of the state. A newer and humbler generation is here. Second, our officers, traveling as widely now as they do, discover many cases that are given attention before someone has the opportunity to complain of them. And, third, years ago it was the misused horse, then

everywhere seen upon our streets and highways, that quickly attracted attention and that led the public to notify us of the need of action on our part. Far fewer people are moved to call us up or write us about the smaller animals or poultry that may equally require an investigation by some officer of the Society.

In spite of what has just been said, the prosecutions for cruelty owing to our multiplied force of officers have not varied to any marked degree through these twenty years. They still average from 250 to 300 annually. The total number of prosecutions for the period is 5,730, total convictions 5,225, a record which shows the esteem in which our officers are held by the courts and which also witnesses to the fact that we do not mean to take a case to the court without sufficient evidence to convict, and also that we do not resort to a prosecution except for cases of wanton cruelty. The complaints for 1929 were 8,140, the prosecutions were only 176. To educate when possible, or to persuade, is better than to prosecute.

The Women's Auxiliary

We again express our appreciation of the generous help given us by the Women's Auxiliary. The money raised by them at their fairs and social gatherings has aided materially in equipping the Hospital with the latest and best instruments and devices for the proper care and treatment of animals. Their latest and one of their most needed gifts was the one above referred to, \$700 for a new small animal ambulance for our Shelter in Methuen. We bespeak for this group of gracious women the co-operation of all the women who read this report.

Finances

The current expenses of the Society for 1910 were \$69,084.82, receipts \$66,305.56. For the year 1929 the current expenses were \$251,929.59, the receipts \$255,342.77. The report for 1929, of course, represents not only the larger work done by the Society through the ordinary channels of its activities, but also the expenses connected with the running of the Hospital and the receipts therefrom. It has been only by the most careful management that we have avoided this past year a deficit, and this could not have been done had it not been for bequests and special gifts. The deficits that have generally occurred have been taken care of when possible from bequests left us for current work or from those unrestricted to the use of the income only.

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Nothing more rapidly refines, uplifts, exalts both mind and heart than gracious, unselfish ministrations to others, be they our own fellow-men or the creatures below us. Back upon us with the touch of a redeeming, regenerating hand come such-holy deeds.

DR. ROWLEY



THE OWNER OF THESE SHACKS FOUND IN RURAL MASSACHUSETTS WAS FINED \$25 FOR FAILING TO PROVIDE FOOD, WATER AND SHELTER FOR HIS STOCK

ACTIVITIES OF OFFICERS OF MASSACHUSETTS S. P. C. A.

JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 1929

Total number of miles traveled ..	138,609
Complaints investigated ..	8,140
Animals (all kinds) examined during such investigation ..	80,665
Horses taken from work ..	972
Horses humanely put to sleep ..	918
Other animals humanely put to sleep ..	14,354
Animals inspected (stock-yards and abattoirs) ..	342,058
Animals sick or injured, humanely put to sleep (stock-yards) ..	507
Horses watered on Boston streets, summer of 1929 ..	38,501
Prosecutions ..	176
Convictions ..	162

ANGELL MEMORIAL ANIMAL HOSPITAL REPORT, JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 1929

Angell Memorial Animal Hospital

184 Longwood Avenue Telephone, Regent 6100

Veterinarians

H. F. DAILEY, V.M.D., Chief
R. H. SCHNEIDER, V.M.D., Ass't Chief
E. F. SCHROEDER, D.V.M.
W. M. EVANS, D.V.S.
G. B. SCHNELLE, V.M.D.
C. G. HALL, D.V.M.

HARRY L. ALLEN, Superintendent

Dispensary for Animals

Hours from 2 to 4, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday, and Friday. Saturday, from 11 to 1.

Hospital

Small animals treated ..	7,556
Large animals treated ..	101
Birds treated ..	62
Total number cases in hospital ..	7,719
Operations ..	6,213

Dispensary

Small animals treated ..	22,271
Large animals treated ..	36
Birds treated ..	224
Treated by correspondence ..	381
Total number cases in Dispensary ..	22,531

Total animals and birds treated last year .. 30,250

SUMMARY

Cases in hospital since opening, March 1, 1915 ..	85,261
Cases in Dispensary since opening, March 1, 1915 ..	168,767
Total ..	254,028

AMBULANCE TRIPS, JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 1929

Horse Ambulances ..	192
Small Animals Ambulances ..	4,962

More friends are needed to endow stalls and new kennels in the Angell Memorial Animal Hospital. Payment of thirty-five dollars for a kennel or seventy-five dollars for a stall will insure a plate marked with the name of the donor. Terms of permanent endowment of free stalls and kennels will be given upon application.

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The American Humane Education Society

TWENTY years ago the American Humane Education Society employed but one field worker and his territory was limited to Massachusetts. Last year the Society had ten field workers on full pay, and five additional ones on half or part-time pay, representing the eastern, southern and western parts of the United States and one foreign country. This is but one item in the expansion of the service of this national and international organization during the past two decades. In 1910 but twelve states were reported as having humane education laws; now we know that twenty-six states have such laws, several of which were procured through representatives of the American Humane Education Society under its direction. Progress in our cause is indicated by the statement of the new superintendent of instruction in California who says: "The State Department of Education encourages the promotion of every phase of humane education."

For the Colored Race

Perhaps no work undertaken by the Society is more significant than that being pursued in the South, where three of the Society's six employees are colored and work especially among the Negroes, teaching them not only humane principles but all that tends to uplift and bring out the finest character. Mr. Barnwell's field is Texas, though his travels often take him into other states. He has introduced humane education to the teachers in the National Colored Teachers' Association, and last year reached 62,500 adults and children in his 290 public addresses. The organization of 150 Bands of Mercy and the distribution of some 6,000 pieces of literature are but faint indications of the results of his 12,675 miles of travel. Mr. Carroll, in South Carolina, traveled about the same distance, often visiting other states, addressing such important bodies as the Georgia State Teachers' Convention and Hampton Institute, and constantly organizing Bands of Mercy in the schools. With exhibits at state and county fairs he distributed vast quantities of literature, and conducted a sort of press bureau for the colored newspapers. He delivered many addresses in colleges, churches, and other public gatherings. Mr. Lemon, in nearly 10,000 miles of travel throughout the rural sections of Virginia, visited 164 schools resulting in the organization of 132 Bands of Mercy, with more than 14,000 members. Much practical work was accomplished in the relief both of animals and of people. Mr. Lemon also visited many conferences, institutions and fairs, where by addresses and circulation of literature he sowed seeds of kindness.

White Workers in the South

Mr. Burton traveled 25,000 miles in Tennessee and adjoining states, visiting cities, rural districts, and the Southern Mountains. He spoke before school groups, welfare workers, Sunday-schools, vacation Bible schools, summer assemblies and higher educational institutions, reaching thousands of

children and adults. He finds that the attitude toward humane education is improving. Mrs. Weathersbee has had a most successful year in Georgia, having secured two notable legislative enactments, one a humane education law, the other a law regulating trapping. She succeeded in getting a decision against dog racing in the state, and secured the co-operation of city and state authorities against the rodeo and "broncho busting." She taught humane education for six weeks in a summer school, spoke at many important meetings not counting fifty-nine club talks throughout the year, and yet found time to give about 1,000 school talks and to organize 1,800 Bands of Mercy. Miss Finley is striving against odds to get similar legislation enacted in Virginia, and is compelled to devote some of her time to investigating actual cases of cruelty. She works with the Parent-Teacher Association; had exhibits both at the Virginia State Fair and the State Teachers' Convention, and constantly is speaking before schools and various organizations, using slides and the film, "The Bell of Atri."

In Other Sections

Mrs. Nichols, with headquarters at Tacoma, Washington, is the leader of the State Humane Society there, and has continued her relentless warfare against rodeos in the Northwest. Significant indeed is her work as national chairman of humane education of the Parent-Teacher Association, for which she prepared a plan, issued advisory letters for the thirty-three state chairmen and forty-eight state presidents, attended the National Congress and took charge of its humane education luncheon, and altogether traveled about 12,000 miles. We cannot emphasize too strongly the importance and far-reaching results of the close co-operation of the great National Parent-Teacher Association and the American Humane Education Society. Mr. Wentzel, of Pennsylvania, spoke 139 times during the year, before audiences aggregating 50,000. In 64 schools, 120 Bands of Mercy were organized. Teachers' institutes, Parent-Teacher meetings, churches, clubs, scouts, and radio audiences were reached, in addition to schools of all grades. Under our auspices Mrs. Toomim, state chairman of humane education in Texas, addressed several district conventions of the Parent-Teacher Associations there, and also formed Bands of Mercy in the schools.

School Work in Massachusetts

In Massachusetts Miss Maryott visited schools in eleven cities and towns, and organized 643 Bands of Mercy with 24,712 members. She also gave illustrated talks in a summer vacation school, church vacation school, and a Christian Endeavor Society. An additional worker during part of the year in Massachusetts was Miss Lucia F. Gilbert who came to us with experience as a practical humane official and with rare enthusiasm for school work. During April and May she visited 80 schools in Boston and vicinity, and in October reached 7,700

children in rural schools of northern New York. In July she made a visit to Newfoundland where she was heartily received and spoke on humane education before the Summer School for Teachers and several influential organizations as well as to groups of children. Through her efforts humane education is to be introduced into all the public schools of Newfoundland. From there the highest praise for her came to us from educators and humane workers. In November she began work in Portland, Maine, with most encouraging results, which was carried over into the new year. In the spring of 1930 she will visit the schools both white and colored of Washington, D. C.

Bands of Mercy Everywhere

In addition to the Bands of Mercy formed by our regular organizers, many volunteer workers connected with local humane societies and others interested have reported new Bands from all parts of the United States, and some from foreign countries, so that the total number organized in 1929 was 4,473, bringing the grand total formed since the movement was started in 1882 to 174,347.

Humane Press Bureaus

Mrs. Hall, for the central press bureau, in Boston, sent out more than 55,000 pieces of literature, including press sheets, leaflets, lesson cards, pamphlets, books, blotters, cards, calendars and posters. In addition, more than 2,000 letters were dispatched during the year, her work extending to individuals and organizations as well as to publications. Mrs. Park, in California, sends monthly press sheets to all leading periodicals on the Pacific Coast and to some in foreign countries. An editor in India requested 500 copies of her article on caged animals for local use with officials. She also distributes humane literature of all kinds, and occasionally lectures on humane education.

Across the Seas

But our humane education enterprise is not confined to this country. Like John Wesley's our parish is the world. Mr. Hammadi has continued to build up humane sentiment in Syria, organizing new Bands of Mercy, securing humane ordinances, and getting the work conspicuously before the press and the public. Great progress has been made in Turkey, especially in humane slaughtering in Constantinople and the relief of suffering dogs in that city. Lectures in various languages are given in the schools, and our film, "The Bell of Atri," is being exhibited. We are still in close touch with humane education efforts in the Philippines where, especially in Cebu, Bands of Mercy are flourishing. Many other distant countries have been reached during the year, especially by contributions of literature which has gone out in liberal quantities not only to the places mentioned above, but to Seoul, the Dominican Republic, Albania, India, Belgium, Italy, Holland, and many others.

The President of the American Humane Education Society is at the head of the

American committee for the work in Fez, Morocco, necessitating trips to meetings in New York and much extra correspondence. During the year a new Fondouk has been built in Fez, costing about \$8,000, and it will be dedicated without debt. A summary of the report for the year is published elsewhere in this issue.

Exhibits from our Society were among the features at the humane display in connection with the International Education Exhibit at Geneva, during August. It is prophesied that lessons in humaneness will be included in the future curricula of schools of many nations as a result of this exhibition.

New Publications and Free Literature

Two editions of the new "Humane Bulletin," of 15,000 copies each, were published within nine months, showing the popularity of this comprehensive help for teachers. A new leaflet was prepared on the cruelty of the steel trap, and two new cat leaflets appeared. A set of eight humane education lesson cards was published and circulated in quantities, and a new edition of 1,000 sets of the animal Child Welfare posters was demanded. Of the humane calendar, in several editions, nearly 10,000 copies were required. The distribution of free supplies from the home office amounted to not less than 110,000 leaflets, 26,000 pamphlets, nearly 10,000 books, more than 700 posters, 5,750 badges and medals, and more than 20,000 single copies of *Our Dumb Animals*, not including the free outfits presented to the 4,473 Bands of Mercy and the nearly 1,000 medals given in the annual poster contest.

Anniversary Week and Poster Contest

Governor Allen in Massachusetts and several other Governors of states issued Proclamations in behalf of Be Kind to Animals Anniversary and Humane Sunday, held in April. We sent out the usual number of special posters and lantern slides, and supplied 9,692 teachers of primary and grammar grades in Massachusetts with free copies of the "Humane Bulletin" for use in observing Humane Day in schools. We gave one prize of \$50, and a second prize of \$25, for the best editorials on the value of the Anniversary appearing in any periodical, and a prize of \$100, and a second prize of \$50, for the best essays on "The Claims of the Animal World on Mankind for Justice and Compassion." The President of the Society was one of several speakers at the mass meeting held in a down-town Boston church on Humane Sunday. He and the Secretary have also responded to calls for public addresses in churches and before juvenile organizations throughout the year. The annual humane poster contest, open to public and parochial schools in Massachusetts, resulted in 4,283 posters being submitted from 362 schools in 127 towns and cities. A new bronze medal was offered showing a portrait of George Thorndike Angell, with a blue ribbon as first prize and a red ribbon as second prize. We gave 374 of the former and 616 of the latter, and 1,019 honorable mentions which included a year's subscription to *Our Dumb Animals*.

An International Club

The Jack London Club, organized by us in 1918 to protest the abuse of animals in connection with stage performances, now has 478,483 members reported to the home office,

40,447 having been added within the year. It has assumed international proportions, as on May 3, 4, and 5, an international congress was held in Paris. The same month a club was started in Switzerland. A club has been in existence for several years in Cape Town, South Africa, and both the *Animals' Friend* in London and the *Humane Pleader* in Toronto maintain regular departments devoted to its interest.

Our Film and Monthly Periodical

"The Bell of Atri," although we have been advertising it for ten years, continues to be in demand, and films were sold to Scotland, British Columbia, Bermuda and England during the year, in addition to numerous rentals. We now have the film in the small 16-millimeter size, as well as both safety and regular in the 35-millimeter size.

Our Dumb Animals, our monthly mouth-piece, to those who read it makes any report like this superfluous, for there we record constantly the doings of both our Societies. It is sent free to all our contributors and to many others, especially to the press throughout the country, in addition to having a substantial subscription list of its own. With such writers as Dallas Lore Sharp, Walter A. Dyer, and Edward E. Whiting among its regular contributors during the year, and many others only less known, it has maintained its literary standard and continues to be quoted wherever periodicals are published.

Finances

The receipts of the American Humane Education Society in 1929 were \$21,235.05; the payments, \$22,025.31, leaving a deficit of \$790.26.

To all who have contributed in any way to the distinct progress which we believe has been made by our two Societies throughout the year, we are indeed grateful, and we ask for a continuance of their support and confidence.

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SOME PROSECUTIONS MADE BY OFFICERS OF MASS. S. P. C. A. DURING THE YEAR

For the offense of overloading and overworking four horses on a very hot day a defendant was fined \$50; for cruelly driving a horse with one foot unshod, fine \$20; for cruelly beating a horse, fine \$100.

For subjecting two horses to unnecessary cruelty and authorizing same to be worked after having been condemned, a fine of \$20 was imposed, defendant appealed and fine was raised to \$50 in Superior Court.

For authorizing, permitting, sending out and working horses afflicted with gall sores no less than forty offenders were convicted and penalized by the courts. Fines varying from \$5 to \$50 were generally imposed.

Permitting a dog to be subjected to unnecessary suffering cost a hit-and-run motorist a fine of \$25; carrying dog upon a vehicle in an unnecessarily cruel manner, \$35 fine; tying a dog in woods and abandoning it to die, fine \$50.

Subjecting a cat to unnecessary cruelty and suffering after it was caught in a steel trap, defendant fined \$20; for docking a dog's tail two defendants were each fined \$100; knocking out a horse's eye with stone, fine \$50, offender committed to jail in default of payment.

Failure to provide proper food, water, shelter, etc., for horses, cattle, hogs, fowl and other domestic animals, generally in rural districts, entailed many prosecutions, upon which fines ranging from \$10 to \$50 resulted.

Briefly stated, convictions were obtained in the following cases: Breaking rabbit's back with stone and club, \$25 fine; cruelly transporting cow with broken leg, two defendants, fine \$10 each; overcrowding fowls, \$25 fine; cruelty to dog, three months in House of Correction; cruelly shooting cat, \$10 fine; cruelly shooting dog, \$50 fine.

These are but a few of the exceptional cases taken from a long list of prosecutions instituted by this Society during the past year.

The directions to our prosecuting officers are that it is always better, when possible, to convert men from cruelty than to convict them in courts, and that the test of a Society's usefulness is not the number of its prosecutions, but the number of acts of cruelty it is able to prevent.

L. WILLARD WALKER, *Chief Officer*

Bands of Mercy are implanting and fostering in the minds of the young the great principles of justice, fair play, and kindness towards every form of life, human and sub-human.

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The Massachusetts S. P. C. A. and the American Humane Education Society will receive gifts, large or small, entering into a written obligation binding the Society safely to invest the same and to pay the donor for life a reasonable rate of interest, or an annuity for an amount agreed upon. The rate of interest or amount of annuity will necessarily depend upon the age of the donor.

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MONTHLY REPORT

Miles traveled by humane officers	11,509
Cases investigated	731
Animals examined	6,080
Number of prosecutions	13
Number of convictions	8
Horses taken from work	47
Horses humanely put to sleep	56
Small animals humanely put to sleep	946
Stock-yards and Abattoirs	
Animals inspected	15,836
Cattle, swine and sheep humanely put to sleep	27

The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has been remembered in the wills of Mrs. Blanche E. Houghton of Belmont, Ellen P. Hall of Cambridge, and Mary W. Springer of Boston.

The American Humane Education Society has been remembered in the will of Martha A. Smith of Iowa.

February 11, 1930.

HOSPITAL REPORT FOR JANUARY

Hospital	Dispensary
Cases entered 594	Cases 1,742
Dogs 439	Dogs 1,401
Cats 137	Cats 323
Horses 11	Birds 16
Birds 7	Fox 1
	Goldfish 1
Operations 471	
Hospital cases since opening Mar. 1, 1915	85,855
Dispensary Cases	170,509
Total	256,364

One cannot read *Our Dumb Animals* without a kindlier feeling toward animals, wild and tame, and a resolution to help in every way toward their proper care and treatment. There are seasonable poems and stories, and the whole number is beautifully illustrated.—Waterbury (Ct.) American

CHILDREN'S PAGE

Barbara's Soliloquy

MARY W. PEASE

PUSSY WILLOW wears her furs
In the early spring,
Cat-o'-nine-tail puts on hers
When the thrushes sing.
Purple thistle's furry coat
Wraps her when she's old,
Ermine decks the milkweed's throat
When fall days are cold.
I wear furs that winter brings—
Warm they are and fine,
But Oh! what trapped, what hunted things
Form this coat of mine!

The Intelligence of a Horse

M. LOUISE C. HASTINGS

PEOPLE talk about the intelligence of certain animals and the degree in which that intelligence is developed. Let me tell of a horse we had when I was a girl.

As I remember this horse, he was no special pet. He was just one of the three horses that contributed to the life of our household. All through my childhood and youth we had three horses in our barn. There were two stalls and a box-stall and they always had occupants, which accounts for the number three.

One evening my great uncle and aunt had overstayed their train, and it was necessary to send them home with a horse and carriage. They lived in a small town in Connecticut, some five miles from our home. Of course in these days we do five miles by automobile, at a reasonable rate of speed, in eight minutes, but in those days of horses and carriages five miles took quite a time to cover. It was night time, too, and traveling would have to be done by slow degrees, for my relatives were aged people.

I do not remember how late it was when they started, but they drove "Tom" and the one-seated carriage, and "Taro," the dog, went along, too, for Taro had a way of going wherever Tom went.

Sometime later—in the middle of the night, maybe, or at least after my parents were fast asleep—they were wakened by a noise. My father said, "It sounds as if there was a horse tramping back and forth under our bedroom windows."

We listened, and heard it again. "It is surely a horse," said my father again, as he went to the window. As he put out his head, our horse, Tom, trotted up and put his nose into Father's hand.

"Why, it's Tom!" exclaimed Father. "Something must have happened!" And that horse had tramped back and forth in front of the bedroom windows to bring the news to us!

In a short time Father had harnessed Tom to the business wagon and we three started with a lantern lighted and ready to use. We found great uncle and aunt after a long tedious ride, seated on the ground at the top of a hill, with the carriage overturned and Taro standing guard!

And these questions always come to my mind: "Did Tom really know that his tramping back and forth would waken his master, and how did he know that my father was sleeping behind those very windows?"



SOMETHING TO CROW ABOUT

The Homesick Turtle

ELEANOR HALBROOK ZIMMERMAN

|| FOUND a little turtle, once,
When I was in the Wood at play;
I put him in a cardboard box
And carried him away.

His little head was striped with gold,
His shell was water-dark and brown;
I think I was the gladdest child
Of any child in town.

But when the night came whispering
To me, alone upon my bed,
I thought how lonely he must be
Out in the kitchen-shed.

I thought of how the stars looked down
Upon his small pool, bright and clear
And wondered if he longed to have
The woodland creatures near.

I slipped out to the kitchen-shed,
And, listening, knew there was no doubt, . . .
With little scuffling sounds I heard
Him trying to get out.

So when the morning came again
I took him back, and set him free,
And laughed to see him scramble in
His pond so hurriedly!

For Be Kind to Animals Anniversary, April 21-26, and for Humane Sunday, April 27, 1930, remember that the popular film, *The Bell of Atri*, is probably the best and the most-widely shown of any humane picture yet produced.

Is there a chance to exhibit it in your community? If so, early application should be made, either for rental or purchase.

The film is now available both in standard and the small 16-millimeter sizes. Be sure to state whether regular (inflammable), safety, or small size is required.

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An Animal Inferno

(Continued from page 36)

timber cages are real. Their cries of rage resound hideously in the wilderness, and their desperation is pitiful to see. They sleep but little, and the night is broken by their cries.

Then follows a vivid but harrowing description of some of the hapless victims which the writer saw; young tigers, magnificent specimens literally trembling with fury and hate, frantically and of course futilely gnawing the iron bars in their rage and effort to get free. The lesser cats stare with malevolent eyes and murderous intent, snarling and spitting viciously. Python and king cobra languish in crates and boxes, ready to strike at instant opportunity; orang-outangs are chained by the neck in abject misery; a defiant eagle with breast torn and bleeding from buffeting against wires vainly tries to break through and give battle. There are the leopards and wildcats, lashing themselves into hysteria and scores of miscellaneous birds and other creatures crowded into receptacles and unable to move.

Here, in the vast silence of the jungle, the strangely assorted captives are allowed to exhaust their fury and gradually to accept their fate. Buyers come to look them over and haggle over the price. All are for sale. Consignments leave every little while for Europe or the Americas. A few days previous to my visit four tigers, a panther and an elephant had been shipped to a public park in the United States.

"I am inclined to believe," the writer concludes: "that if the patrons of Regent's Park could see the anguish and despair of these newly caught animals, the London Zoo would be a less attractive place."

MASSACHUSETTS S.P.C.A. IN THE COURTS Convictions in January

For working horse with sore on neck and collar bearing on same, defendant guilty, fine \$25, appealed, sentence sustained in Superior Court.

Non-sheltering hogs, plea of *nolo* allowed, \$20 fine. Driving a horse unfit for labor, convicted, case filed. Abandoning horse in woods all night, fine \$50.

Using horse unfit for labor by reason of lameness, fine \$10.

Sending out a galled horse to work, fine \$10.

Driving a galled horse, convicted, case filed.

Failure to provide shelter for horse, defendant guilty, fined \$25, appealed, in Superior Court placed on probation for six months.

Sending out a galled horse to work, fine \$25.

Sending out a horse to work when unfit for labor, fine \$25, appealed, sentence affirmed in Superior Court.

What's in a Wren's Nest?

W. R. MOSES

ACCORDING to ornithologists, the ordinary back-yard Jenny wren, known to and loved by almost the entire population of the United States, as a rule builds her nest of small twigs, and lines it with straws and feathers. In a little cardboard box tucked away in my desk, I think I have evidence of the exception that proves that rule.

The box is labeled, "Found in a wren's nest." It contains five wire hairpins, sixteen nails, eight staples, one corkscrew, three safety pins, four paper clips, fifty-one bits of wire, and fourteen miscellaneous small pieces of metal, one hundred and two scraps in all, all rusted and old. The caption on their container is literally true. I obtained all of these time-worn bits in the process of cleaning out, one fall some years ago, a bird house hung low in an apple tree in Wausau, Wisconsin, where, the preceding summer, a house wren had had her nest.

Near the apple tree was an alley, surfaced with packed ashes taken from the furnaces of those along whose lots the alley ran, and among those ashes, certainly, the wrens found all the unorthodox materials with which they partly furnished their home. Whether or no the young wrens found their bed hard there is no way of telling, but probably they noticed nothing out of the way, inasmuch as the nest was lined with soft materials.

My one close connection with that unusual wren's nest, prior to my despoiling of it when its owners needed it no longer, came close to being a tragic one. The box in which the nest was built was hung from a low branch by a strand of wire. In a high wind one day, the wire twisted and broke.

I came upon the scene soon afterward, to find the house on the ground and the wrens chirring excitedly about. They had frequently seen me before, and had come to show no great fear of me; it was with many misgivings, however, that I fastened the box in its original place with stronger wire.

My fears lest the birds should desert their chosen home, however, proved groundless. They returned at once to the house, completed the nest, and successfully raised their brood. Whether or not their acquaintanceship with me, and a belief in my harmlessness, were the factors that decided them in favor of returning to the house they had seen me restore, I do not know. I like to think that this may have been the case.

The Band of Mercy

DR. FRANCIS H. ROWLEY, President
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PLEDGE

I will try to be kind to all living creatures and try to protect them from cruel usage.

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See inside front cover for prices of literature and Band of Mercy Supplies.

NEW BANDS OF MERCY

Seven hundred and twenty-three new Bands of Mercy were reported during January, nearly all being in schools. Of these, 221 were in Maine, 181 in Massachusetts, 99 in Texas, 85 in Georgia, 41 in South Carolina, 38 in Pennsylvania, 27 in Rhode Island, 17 in Virginia, six in New York, five in Tennessee, and one each in Illinois, Indiana and Missouri.

Total number Bands of Mercy organized by Parent-American Society, 175,070

Live Band in Georgia

The Millicent Comfort Band of Mercy, for the prevention of cruelty to all living animals, was organized recently in Augusta, Georgia, with a complete list of officers, including a board of directors. Mr. George R. Sousa is president, and the membership is 112.

The plans include teaching in the public schools, by talks and literature, the creed of kindness to animals; also by having meetings of membership groups, where the children will be given talks on kindness to dumb animals.

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